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for Process Equipment

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
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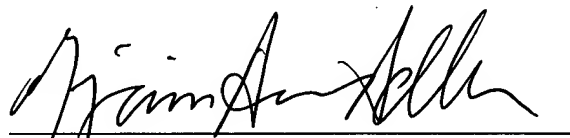
Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response for the purpose of filing a Response to an Office Action mailed October 4, 2002, in the above-referenced patent application, be extended for one (1) month to and including February 4, 2003. Please debit the \$55 extension fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) or any additional fees due from Deposit Account 07-1185.

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